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RE: Application of Blue Granite Water Company for Approval to Adjust Rate  
Schedules and Increase Rates – Docket No. 2019-290-WS

Dear Hearing Officer Butler:

Enclosed please find the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff's ("ORS") responses to the questions sent to ORS by the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") in the Hearing Officer Request issued May 15, 2020 (Order No. 2020-39-H). The Hearing Officer Request relates to Order No. 2020-371, issued in this docket on May 13, 2020, which indicated Commission Staff would provide areas the Commission was requesting ORS review in connection with the contract between Blue Granite Water Company and ClearWater Solutions, LLC.

ORS's responses include all the information that ORS has identified as responsive to the Commission's questions based on the record relating to Blue Granite Water Company's Rate Application filed in this docket and ORS's review in connection with Blue Granite's Rate Application. ORS has not identified any information in its possession that is responsive to these questions that is not being provided in these responses. ORS's responses also include information provided by Blue Granite regarding portions of the record it believes are responsive to the Commission's questions. While ORS has provided all information it identified as responsive and in its possession, ORS has not issued additional discovery requests to Blue Granite that may elicit information beyond what ORS possesses and outside of the existing record. If the Commission desires additional information, ORS will request additional information from Blue Granite to supplement these responses and will do so as expeditiously as possible.

In such event, ORS respectfully would request notification and fourteen (14) additional days in order to conduct the additional discovery and supplement the current responses.

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Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Alex Knowles*

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cc: All Parties of Record (via e-mail)